

LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the patent application.

Claims 1-13 (cancelled)

Claim 14 (new): In a slide fastener comprising a pair of opposed fastener stringers and a slider reciprocally mounted on the fastener stringers to open and close them; a separable end stop comprising a retaining member and an insert member mounted on the lower ends of the fastener stringers and adapted to come into and out of engagement with each other in a plane of the slide fastener; the retaining member and insert member having first and second rotary plates integrally provided on their respective lower ends and adapted for mutual rotation upon each other to thus swing the retaining member and the insert member relative to each other; the rotary plates being formed in first and second surfaces with recesses; a projection being mounted centrally in either of the first and second recesses, while a protuberant post being provided centrally in the other recess and having a hole formed therein for fitting engagement with the projection; the first and second rotary plates having first and second annular magnets which have through apertures formed centrally therethrough, the first and the second annular magnets being fitted in the recesses with the projection and the post passing through the through apertures respectively for magnetically putting the rotary plates into proper positions for the mutual rotation upon each other, the rotary plates having inwardly-projecting rims formed on the respective peripheral edges of the recesses in order to retain the first and the second annular magnets within the recesses.

Claim 15 (new): A separable end stop according to claim 1, wherein the projection projects outwardly beyond the top surfaces of the magnet and the first rotary plate; the hole is recessed beyond the front surfaces of the magnet and the rotary plate.